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For: SILICON-CONTAINING POLYMER, PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION, RESIST COMPOSITION EMPLOYING IT, PATTERN-FORMING METHOD AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE FABRICATION METHOD

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